PERSONALS

Billy Evans, of Washington, was home for the week-end.

Mrs. C. T. Moses Jr. is recovering at her home from burns which she suffered a month ago.

Gene Paulette, of Urbanna, was a week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Paul S. Drinkard.

Mrs. W. R. Reynolds and Mrs. Hazel R. Mann are spending today in Richmond.

Mrs. Katie Doss will enter he Virginia Baptist Hospital today for a tonsillectomy.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Evans spent the week-end in Newport News with Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Thomas.

Miss Emma Smith is undergoing treatment at the Virginia Baptist Hospital, where she was carried on Monday.

Mrs. Ed Blackwell spent last Friday night with her sisters, Mrs. Hugh Bailey and Mrs. Lindy Hamlet, of Farmville.

Misses Sandra and Lois Wood of Lynchburg spent Sunday afternoon with their mother, Mrs. Vara Wood.

Miss Ethel Chermault, of Lynchburg spent Tuesday and Wednesday with her mother, Mrs. J. J. Chermault.

Mrs. Ed Blackwell visited Mrs. Maude Abbitt Tuesday and spent the night with her mother, Mrs. J. J. Chermault.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Jessee, of Lynchburg and Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Boice were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Bragg Sunday, Feb. 10. The occasion was in celebration of Mr. Bragg's birthday.

Mrs. Clara Hanenkrat and Mrs. Edwin Wallace and sons motored to Richmond Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hanenkrat.

Mrs. Lonelle Cahee and daughters, Elaine and Mary, of Baltimore will arrive today to spend several days with Mrs. Cahee's aunt, Mrs. S. J. Evans.

Mrs. Rachel F. Lawson will spend the week-end in Charlottesville with her niece, Mrs. Gilbert H. Wilson. She will be joined there by her sister, Mrs. Russell F. Wagers, of Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Brisentine and daughter, Mrs. Ernest Campbell and children, Eddie and Watt, and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Glenn, of Prospect, visited this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Jamerson.

Among those from here who will attend the annual dance of the personnel of the Division of Motor Vehicles are Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Fulk and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Lawson, Jr.

Mrs. F. C. Dresser, Mrs. Billy Herndon and Mrs. Vincent Lusardi motored to Amherst Saturday, where they attended a luncheon in compliment to Mrs. H. Webster Babcock. Mr. and Mrs. Babcock are moving from Amherst to Clifford March 1.

Mrs. G. L. Doss, Mrs. H. G. Johnson, Mrs. Frank Hanenkrat, and O. R. Turnes motored to Hopewell Sunday, where they visited Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Turnese. Mr. Turnes continues ill at his home there.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Ray Gordon of Inglewood, Calif., who visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Gordon and Sgt. and Mrs. L. L. Bagley, early in March. They will, en route to New York, where Mr. Gordon has been transferred.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. LeGrand, Mrs. T. E. LeGrand and wife, and Mr. Mooday in Richmond with Mr. and Mrs. L. Marie Drinkard. Mr. Drinkard is recovering from an extended illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Moore and Mrs. Wiley Moore recently returned home from a visit to Miami, Florida. While there they attended the Golden Anniversary of Mrs. Moore's brother-in-law and wife, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Lee.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Blackwell Sunday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Chermault and children, Bill and Frances, of Appomattox; J. J. Chermault, Miss Jenette Chermault, Mr. and Mrs. Henry T. Chermault and Debra, and Mrs. Nathalie Robertson.

Mrs. H. J. Meredith and granddaughter, Lucy Buxton Bentley, of Prospect, are spending several weeks in the home of Mrs. Meredith's daughter, Mrs. Hunter Jamerson.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Newcomb, of Belleville, Ill., will arrive the week-end to visit in the home of Mrs. Newcomb's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Evans. Mr. Newcomb will spend a 30-day leave here before going to Germany for duty in the armed service. Mrs. Newcomb will remain here with her parents while Mr. Newcomb is overseas.

Mr. and Mrs. Howlette Burge Martin motored to Richmond Saturday, where they met their son, Priate Howlette B. Martin, Jr., who arrived by plane from Fort Gordon, Georgia for a week-end visit with his parents at their home in Spout Spring. Mr. and Mrs. Martin accompanied Private Martin as far south as Winston-Salem on his return to Fort Gordon.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Moore are on a vacation in Florida. Their son, T. E. Moore Jr., is with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Robertson.

Charlie Guill, of Washington, spent the week-end here in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher T. Guill. He visited his mother, Mrs. Sadie Guill, a patient in the Virginia Baptist Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Herndon and three children, Bill Jr., Beth and Jennie, visited Mrs. Herndon's parents, Senator and Mrs. Chas. T. Moses, Sunday.

Mrs. Gertrude Roach Mann

Mrs. Gertrude Roach Mann, 68, of Red House in Charlotte County, died February 17 in a hosuital.

Surviving are a son, Raymond Mann, Appomattox; a daughter, Mrs. Irene Mann, Richmond; one brother, Nuble H. Roach, Vinton; and three sisters, Mrs. Daisy Covington, Vinton; Mrs. Russell Garrett, Pamplin, and Mrs. Annie Cyrus, of Concord.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday at Trinity Methodist Church at Red House.

Shower Given MISS CROWDER

Miss Elizabeth Crowder, whose marriage to Robert Garrette will take place on Saturday evening, February 23, was honored guest at a miscellaneous shower given by Mrs. B. C. Childers Saturday evening. The home was attractively decorated, carrying out a color scheme of green and white. The gifts were presented under a decorated umbrella, using green and white colors.

The wedding cake was cut first by the bride-to-be, followed by the rest of the guests. Games and contests were enjoyed during the afternoon, contributing a delightful feature.

A Russian scientist is planning to send an observation rocket to the planet Venus sometime between 1962 and 1967. The rocket will be equipped with "cosmic television" to send pack pictures to earth.

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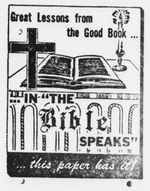

Stop the Poxvirus That May Cause Human Leukemia

DETROIT—Is dreaded human leukemia caused by a poxvirus? Medical research is trying to find out. A Duke University virologist has joined the search team that is trying to find the virus responsible for this blood-cancer. Dr. Joseph by, of Detroit, director of surgery, delivered it a lecture on the conference.

There are more than 50 poxviruses known to man, ranging from cowpox to smallpox. Dr. Rabinovitch, virologist, has isolated a poxvirus from human leukemia tissue and is now attempting to find outstanding evidence and bring it forward.

Dr. Duke-Elder, author of three separate volumes on the forms of leukemia, says the leukemias. They are characterized by the period of remissions and chemotherapy remissions.

At present it is still not possible to prove conclusively that human leukemia is actually caused by cancer viruses, but if it's true, the prospects for a cure have been greatly enhanced. Dr. Rabinovitch, mentioned, what has been learned from the study of animal leukemia, and said, "We have a good approach to the study of human leukemia," he said.

Science Studies Lobster's Brain

LOS ANGELES—A "miniature brain" in the lobster heart may tell us more about the complex systems of nervous units in humans act together to produce behavior.

This tiny clump of nine nerve cells, which controls the lobster's heartbeat, is being studied in the zoology department at the University of California.

By using microscopic electrodes in the nerve cells the investigators have been able to record the electrical activity generated by them. This energy comes from two groups of nerve cells—four small ones and five large ones.

The small cells apparently stimulate the large ones, which in turn cause the quick, rhythmic heart contractions. The nervous energy is fired in machine-gun-like blasts. The study has suggested that the lobster heart is a model organism which is capable of very simple behavior patterns—rhythmic, coordinated contractions. The "miniature brain" with its relative autonomy and spontaneous, integrated and patterned activity shows strong resemblance to a central nervous system.

Marriage Superstitions Surround Old Shoes

LOS ANGELES—The throwing of old shoes at newlywedds embodies ancient beliefs in the shoe as a symbol of fertility, says folklore scholar Dr. Wayland Hand.

Articles of clothing have always played a prominent role in superstitions involving relationships between man and wife. For example, says Dr. Hand, the folk notion is still current in some isolated parts of North Carolina that if a girl puts on a boy's hat, it's a sign she wants to kiss him. An old Alabama belief holds that placing the husband's shoes under the bed will insure the fertility of the wife. The U.C.L.A. professor says that most American folklore beliefs originated in Europe, although some have taken peculiarly American twists from time to time.

Boy Digs to Pay For Dog's Burial

NEWARK—Stories about a boy and his dog are legend and numerous. Thirteen year old Tommy Gorse and his dog Wow Wow reflect the type of devotion that has stirred many stories.

Tommy and his dog were in the same class in school. They grew up together. Tommy named the dog at the age of 4 when he babbled the words "Wow Wow." They were the closest of pals. Wow Wow followed Tommy to school each day, then turned home reluctantly.

Recently Wow Wow died. Tommy refused the suggestions of parents and friends that the dog be buried in the back yard or the country, and spent $150 of his savings for college and medical school to bury the dog in a Chester, N. Y. animal cemetery, beneath an inscription which reads in part . . . "my devoted pal . . . ."

One Egg—Really Rare

MIDDLETON, N.Y.—Mrs. Herbert Houck preparing breakfast for her family, cracked open a three-yolked egg. Mr. Houck, one of the state's biggest poultry farmers, whose stock produces some 6,000,000 eggs annually, said that in 25 years in the business, he recalls

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Pamplin, R. F. D. One.—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Meadows and children, of Richmond, spent Sunday with Mrs. Annie Meadows, Mr. and Mrs. Walker Meadows and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ranson.

Miss Marie Tolley, of Lynchburg, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Tolley.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Tolley were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Vester Clifton and family Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Thomas Ranson and Nancy Carol spent Wednesday and Friday with Mrs. Leslie Clifton and Tony.

Mrs. Mary Sizemore, Mrs. Ralph Arrington and Mrs. Mae Mays spent last Thursday with Mrs. G. D. Sizemore, who is a patient in a Lynchburg hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. John Edwards and children, of Callao spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Meadows.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles [illegible] and family, of Christiansburg, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Baldwin on Sunday.

Birthday List

Mrs. Nathalie Robertson, Feb. [illegible]
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A Salute To The Future Farmers Of America

PRIZE WINNERS OF LOCAL F. F. A. CHAPTER

Fred Caldwell shows the Chapter's purebred Angus bull, M. Prince 2, at the Atlantic Rural State Fair in Richmond. Fred, a senior at A. H. S., keeps the bull on his farm and cares for it for the chapter.

Members of the Robert E. Lee F. F. A. Chapter of Appomattox High School are observing National F. F. A. Week, February 16 to 23. Highlight of their observation will be the annual Father - Son Banquet on Friday night, with Lennie Gamage, past national vice-president of the Future Farmers as guest speaker.

Otherwise the local Chapter is observing the week by placing posters in the school building, by a display in The Bank of Appomattox, and by pictures and articles in this newspaper.

The Robert E. Lee Chapter of the Future Farmers of America has 70 members. Officers of this Chapter are: president, Frank Inge; vice-president, Fred Caldwell; secretary, Ralph Inge; treasurer, Floyd Jamerson; sentinel, Kinchle Martin; and reporter, James Carter.

The national Future Farmer organization has more than 383,000 members in the 48 States, Hawaii and Puerto Rico. Membership in Virginia totals 8,106. Membership in the F. F. A. is made up of farm boys who are students of vocational agriculture in high school. The organization's activities are designed primarily to help develop rural leadership and good citizenship, and to stimulate the boys to better achievement in their study and work toward successful establishment in farming.

National F. F. A. Week is observed during the week of the anniversary of the birthday of George Washington. Though a war hero and a president, Washington's first love was the farm. He was one of the first farmers in the nation to practice contour planting, crop rotation, and other soil conserving methods. He experimented with many new plants and ideas. He helped to develop the mule in America, and introduced alfalfa to Virginia. It is out of deep respect and admiration for George Washington, the farmer in whose progressive ways they seek to follow, that Future Farmers annually observe their National F. F. A. Week at the time of his birthday.

National Future Farmers of America Week seeks to focus attention on the work of the Future Farmers of today, who will be the successful farmers of tomorrow. This nation must have about 130,000 new farmers every year to replace those who die, retire or otherwise leave the farm. These men must be men with experience and training enough to become successful farmers. Vocational agriculture and the F. F. A. constitute the most effective program yet developed for training boys to be good farmers and helping them to become established in the farming occupations of their choice.

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To strengthen the confidence of farm boys and young men in themselves and their work.
To create more interest in the intelligent choice of farming occupations.
To encourage members in the development of individual farming programs and establishment in farming.
To encourage members to improve the farm home and its surroundings.
To participate in worthby undertakings for the improvement of agriculture.
To develop character, train for useful citizenship, and foster patriotism.
To participate in cooperative effort.
To encourage and practice thrift.
To encourage improvement in scholarship.
To provide and encourage the development or organized rural recreational activities.

A. H. S. FUTURE FARMERS WIN PRIZES

Brod Pack, freshman member of Appomattox High School F. F. A. is shown with his purebred registered Guernsey heifer. This animal was a blue ribbon winner at Farmville Five County Fair last fall.

In vocational agriculture courses in our high school each student is required to conduct a "Supervised farming program" where he puts into actual practice the farming knowledge gained in the classroom. The teacher makes frequent visits to the boy's home farm, supervising and helping with the development of his program. Boys usually start as freshmen with small projects, such as a few chickens, a pig, a calf, and an acre or two of crops. As they advance in their work, they are encouraged to expand their farming programs so that by the time they have completed high school they will have built up an investment in farming large enough to permit them to farm on a full-time basis, or, as is frequently the case, to permit them to enter upon a sound partnership agreement with their parents.

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The Future Farmers of America is the national organization, of, by, and for farm boys studying vocational agriculture in public secondary schools which operate under the provisions of the National Vocational Education Acts. It is an educational, non-profit, non-political farm youth organization of voluntary membership, designed to develop agricultural leadership, character, thrift, scholarship, cooperation, citizenship, and patriotism. Boys must be enrolled in vocational agriculture to become eligible for membership. They may retain their membership for three years following their graduation from high school or until they are 21 years of age.

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